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to E & R Initial, and if you will turn in this bill to Page 2, you will find on line 9 the figure 4 which is changed to 10 and this is the amount of money that can be spent annually to process this particular withholding program. So I move that the bill be advanced.

SPEAKER: Any further discussion. If not, the question is, shall LB 448 be advanced. Have you all voted? The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays, 17 not voting.

SPEAKER: The bill is advanced.

CLERK: LB 473?

SPEAKER: Yes.

CLERK: LB 473 introduced by the Appropriations Committee and signed by the members thereof. Read title. Mr. President, Senator Bereuter asks unanimous consent to add his name to it.

SPEAKER: If there are no objections, so ordered.

CLERK: Mr. President, there are Committee amendments by Senator Marvel's Appropriation Committee.

SENATOR MARVEL: Now, Mr. President, members of the Legislature, we have four Committee amendments and I suggest that you take a look at them because they are not uncontroversial and I hope your copy is better than mine of the amendments but I will try my best to explain them. They are divided into four parts and the first amendment which is at the top of, in other words, Section 1, amends the law so that the Governor will bring in his budget fourteen calendar days after we meet. This is not an attempt to embarrass the Chief Executive. This is an attempt to get the machinery rolling more rapidly, as far as the Legislature is concerned, and especially in the short session when we only have 60 days and, if you recall, this time it was well into February before the budget was presented, and, therefore, the Appropriations Committee really had no choice, as far as conducting hearings was concerned but to wait until all of the evidence was in and part of the evidence is found in the Executive budget. So I move the adoption of the first amendment, Mr. President, which states, in effect, that the Governor submit his budget no later than fourteen calendar days after the Legislature meets. I think it is better, if it is all right with the Chair, if we divide this into these four parts.

SPEAKER: Is there any discussion? The chair recognizes Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, I would just like to ask one quick question of Senator Marvel, if I might.

SPEAKER: Do you yield? Senator Marvel.

SENATOR MARVEL: Yes.